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CEVAIR: NEGOTIATING TIME TABLE AND LOY VISIT

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1. AMBASSADOR CAPONAZZA CALLED ON ME TODAY TO SAY GOI WOULD BE SUGGESTING THROUGH FENOALTEA THAT JANUARY TALKS BEGIN WITH RESTRICTED GROUP OF PERHAPS THREE ON EACH SIDE TO BLOCK OUT GENERAL OUTLINES OF NEGOTIATING POSITIONS AND PROGRAM OF WORK, RATHER THAN BEGIN WITH FULL-DRESS NEGOTIATING TEAMS. GOI HAS THUS FORMALLY ADVANCED CONCEPT EXPOSED IN ROME 2178 PAR. IC. CAPONAZZA NOTED THAT IF ALL WENT WELL IN THOSE EARLY SOUNDINGS FULL TEAM COULD BE SUMMONED FROM WASHINGTON.

2. WHILE I BELIEVE LOY VISIT WOULD HAVE BEEN USEFUL, CAPONAZZA INDICATED THAT HE STILL HAD MUCH HOMEWORK TO DO AND WAS MORE INTERESTED IN POSSIBILITY OF RESTRICTED PRELIMINARY TALKS IN JANUARY.

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